

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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A wireless communication system employs a method and apparatus for providing voice recognition service to a wireless communication device. Voice recognition information (e.g., a context model and voice training parameters) is generated by a wireless device user and stored in a memory (e.g., a SIM card) of the wireless device to form one portion of a voice recognition processing engine. Another portion of the voice recognition processing engine (e.g., a voice recognition processor and operating software therefor) is implemented in a wireless system infrastructure of the wireless communication system. The wireless device transmits the voice recognition information to the system infrastructure preferably upon request for such information by the system infrastructure. The system infrastructure then uses both portions of the voice recognition processing engine to provide voice recognition service to the wireless device and its user during operation of the wireless device.